

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

**1. An automatic performance apparatus comprising:**

**a song storage portion for storing sets of song data for automatic performance, said song data including at least one of tempo data and meter data;**

**a style storage portion for storing sets of style data including at least one of tempo data and meter data along with accompaniment data;**

**a search portion for searching said style storage portion for style data having at least one of tempo data and meter data matching with at least one of tempo data and meter data in song data selected from said song storage portion; and**

**a reproduction portion for concurrently reproducing said selected song data and said searched style data.**

**2. An automatic performance apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said song data includes melody data and chord progression data.**

**3. An automatic performance apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said style data includes tone color data for manual performance.**

**4. An automatic performance apparatus comprising:**

**a song storage portion for storing sets of song data for automatic performance;**

**a style storage portion for storing sets of style data including accompaniment pattern data;**

**a style setting portion for preparing, on the basis of user's operation,**

style setting data indicating style data to be reproduced concurrently with song data in said song storage portion;

a style setting storage portion for storing said prepared style setting data in association with said song data; and

a reproduction portion for reproducing said song data selected from said song storage portion and concurrently reproducing said style data read out from said style storage portion on the basis of said style setting data associated with said song data.

5. An automatic performance apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said song data includes melody data and chord progression data.

6. An automatic performance apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said style setting portion prepares style setting data indicating style data selected from among said sets of style data stored in said style storage portion.

7. An automatic performance apparatus comprising:

a song storage portion for storing sets of song data for automatic performance;

a performance tone color setting portion for preparing, on the basis of user's operation, tone color setting data indicating a tone color for performance data generated in accordance with user's performance operation operated concurrently with reproduction of song data in said song storage portion;

a performance tone color storage portion for storing said prepared

tone color setting data in association with said song data; and

a reproduction portion for concurrently reproducing said song data selected from said song storage portion and performance data performed by said user, while imparting, to said performance data performed by said user, said tone color based on said tone color setting data read out from said performance tone color storage portion in association with said song data.

8. An automatic performance apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said song data includes melody data and chord progression data.

9. An automatic performance program applied to a musical tone information processing apparatus comprising a song storage portion for storing sets of song data for automatic performance, said song data including at least one of tempo data and meter data, and a style storage portion for storing sets of style data including at least one of tempo data and meter data along with accompaniment pattern data, said automatic performance program including the steps of:

a search step for searching said style storage portion for style data having at least one of tempo data and meter data matching with at least one of tempo data and meter data in song data selected from said song storage portion; and

a reproduction step for concurrently reproducing the said selected song data and said searched style data.

10. An automatic performance program according to claim 9, wherein said song data includes melody data and chord progression data.

11. An automatic performance program according to claim 9, wherein said style data includes tone color data for manual performance.

12. An automatic performance program applied to a musical tone information processing apparatus comprising a song storage portion for storing sets of song data for automatic performance and a style storage portion for storing sets of style data including accompaniment pattern data, said automatic performance program including the steps of:

a style setting step for preparing, on the basis of user's operation, style setting data indicating style data to be reproduced concurrently with song data in said song storage portion to store said prepared style setting data in a memory in association with said song data; and

a reproduction step for reproducing said song data selected from said song storage portion and concurrently reproducing said style data read out from said style storage portion on the basis of said style setting data associated with said song data.

13. An automatic performance program according to claim 12, wherein said song data includes melody data and chord progression data.

14. An automatic performance program according to claim 12, wherein said style setting step prepares style setting data indicating style data selected from among said sets of style data stored in said style storage portion.

15. An automatic performance program applied to a musical tone information processing apparatus comprising a song storage portion for storing sets of song data for automatic performance, said automatic performance program including the steps of:

a performance tone color setting step for preparing, on the basis of user's operation, tone color setting data indicating a tone color for performance data generated in accordance with user's performance operation operated concurrently with reproduction of song data in said song storage portion to store said prepared style setting data in association with said song data; and

a reproduction step for concurrently reproducing said song data selected from said song storage portion and performance data performed by said user, while imparting, to said performance data performed by said user, said tone color based on said tone color setting data read out from said performance tone color storage portion in association with said song data.

16. An automatic performance program according to claim 15, wherein said song data includes melody data and chord progression data.